

DECLARATION OF INVENTOR

As a below named inventor, I declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name; that I believe I am the original and first inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention or design entitled **CONDITION ASSESSMENT AND LIFE EXPECTANCY PREDICTION FOR DEVICES**, the specification of which is attached hereto.

That I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above; and that acknowledge the duty to disclose to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office all information known to me to be material to patentability as defined in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56.

I hereby claim the benefit under 35 U.S.C. § 120 of any United States application(s) listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application(s) in the manner provided by the first paragraph of 35 U.S.C. § 112, we acknowledge the duty to disclose to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office all information known to us to be material to patentability as defined in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 which became available between the filing date of the prior application(s) and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:

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| 09/293,536                           | April 15, 1999    | Abandoned     |
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I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, § 119(e) of any United States provisional application(s) listed below:

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I declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

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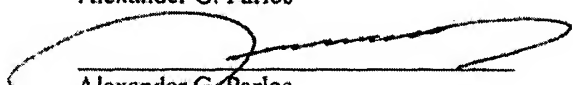
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